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1. IN RESPONSE QUERY SANAA 1593, PARA 2, OUR COMMENTS ON POSSIBLE IIAF TRAINING OF YEMENI PILOTS WERE GIVEN IN TEHRAN 5333.

2. RE SUGGESTED IRANIAN TRANSFER OF F-5'S TO YEMEN (PARA 2A, JIDDA 3538), WE WOULD BE RELUCTANT, AFTER HAVING DRAWN DOWN IRANIAN F-5 STOCKS FOR VIETNAM LAST FALL, TO PRESS GOI FOR EARLY DONATION OF AIRCRAFT FOR YEMEN UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. DEPARTMENT OFFICERS ARE AWARE OF SHAH'S CONCERN AFTER DEPARTURE OF PLANES FOR VIETNAM THAT
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IRAN MAINTAIN WHAT HE DEEMED TO BE MINIMUM STRENGTH OF IIAF. IN ABOUT ONE YEAR'S TIME, WHEN SUFFICIENT IRANIAN F-5S ARE FULLY OPERATIONAL, GOI'S SECURITY CONCERNS SHOULD BE RELAXED AND TRANSFERS OF ITS THEN SURPLUS F-5S MAY BE

MORE EASILY CONTEMPLATED.

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